

## Clyde Ray Tanner - Bio

As a Certified Executive Chef (CEC), Certified Culinary Educator (CCE), and member of the American Academy of Chefs (AAC), I bring over 30 years of experience in culinary leadership, education, and consulting. I currently collaborate with the University of South Florida's Graduate School of Medicine to develop Culinary Medicine programs—bridging food, science, and health to drive better patient outcomes and interprofessional learning.

Within ACF, I've served as Chapter Secretary, Ethics Chair, Bylaws Chair, and Certification Evaluator—roles grounded in transparency, fairness, and member advocacy. I've proudly contributed to initiatives that uphold our professional standards and strengthen our organizational culture.

My leadership background includes serving as Campus President and National Academic Chair, where I oversaw multi-campus operations, accreditation strategy, and the development of workforce-aligned curriculum. I've also consulted nationally across hospitality, culinary education, and organizational development, helping teams innovate, grow, and serve with excellence.

Beyond ACF, I serve on the board of Created Women and co-founded Created Cuisine—using culinary training to empower survivors of human trafficking. I also serve on the NFL Alumni Advisory Board, advancing wellness and community impact through food.

I'm running for the Nominations & Elections Committee to ensure our election processes remain transparent, inclusive, and rooted in the values that define the ACF. I would be honored to continue serving our members with purpose, professionalism, and integrity.